

REMARKS

Claims 21-35 are presently pending in the case.

Reconsideration of the present case in view of the above amendments and the remarks herein is requested.

The specification has been amended to include a reference to the priority document on the first line. The provisional application referred to was listed on the declaration. Entry of the amendment is requested.

Applicant is also filing herewith a request for a correction to the filing receipt to indicate the priority information thereon.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicant is also filing herewith a supplemental information disclosure statement in compliance with MPEP section 609. Indication of consideration of the references provided is requested. In addition, information disclosure statements were filed on July 28, 2000, on February 26, 2001, and on April 3, 2001. Applicant has included herewith copies of the statements and copies of the postcard returned by the Patent Office indicating that the information disclosure statements were received. These copies were inadvertently not provided with the previous response. Applicant request indication of the consideration of the references cited in these information disclosure statements as well.

Conclusion


The claims are allowable for the reasons given in the previous response. Thus, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the present rejections and allow the presently

pending claims. Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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MARKED-UP VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

The following paragraph has been inserted.

This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/103,702 which was filed on October 9, 1998.